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\$2.50 Per Dozen Pints.
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The China Mail.

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CANADIAN
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No. 13,108

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 1895.

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PRICE, \$3.00 Per Month.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.

FORWARDING DEPARTMENT.
REGULAR Weekly Importations for
EUROPE.
Parcels and Goods shipped to all parts
of the World.
All Expenses, including Duty and other
destination charges, may be paid by sender,
or otherwise as desired.
Goods received for Storage, Packing,
Shipment, & Transportation.
Estimates for Freight and other charges
upon receipt of Cubic Capacity, Contents,
Weight and Value.

CHINA PARCEL EXPRESS.
OFFICE: 3, DUDDELL STREET,
Hongkong, December 5, 1894.

Intimations.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

MRS WEBB, late of KILLADOON,
151, Wanchai Road, Hongkong, has
MOVED to 26, LEIGHTON HILL
ROAD, Hongkong, East near Race Course,
(WAVI OFFICE).

NOTICE.

NOVEMBER, 1894.

FROM this date, the BRITISH VIVI
COMPANY, Regent House, Regent
Street, London, have appointed Mrs G. S.
WEBB MANAGERESS of their Branch
Office in Hongkong, and sole representative
for China, for the Sale of all VIVI
Remedies.

OFFICE AND CONSULTING ROOMS,
26, LEIGHTON HILL ROAD
(Near Race Course), Hongkong.
Hongkong, April 4, 1895.

WANTED.

AN EXPERT TYPEWRITER, good
Salaries to a quick worker.
Apply to
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Hongkong, March 31, 1895.

NOTICE.

WE, the UNDERSIGNED, herewith
wish to warn the Public against
buying SINGER SEWING MACHINES
from Private Individuals, unless proper
SINGER COMPANY'S Receipt and
Signature can be produced.

SINGER SEWING MACHINE CO.
Hongkong, March 8, 1895.

KWONG TY CHEONG,
LATE OF NO. 47, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
CHINESE & JAPANESE CURIOS
DEALER.
PRICES VERY MODERATE.
8, D'AGUILAR STREET, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, October 20, 1894.

ROYAL HAIRDRESSING SALOON.
No. 14, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE
WE beg to notify the Public generally
that we have just
OPENED a First-class Tonsorial Hall at
the above address. We make Cleanliness a
Specialty. V. TORRES, Manager.
Hongkong, March 2, 1895.

TELEPHONE COMPANY.
KOWLOON EXCHANGE.

THE TELEPHONE AREA WILL BE
EXTENDED to include the whole of
the Kowloon Peninsula by July 1st next.
The Tariff for Telephones at Kowloon
Exchange will be the same as in Hongkong
and there will be free intercommunication
between the two areas.

The Company's Exchanges are open day
and night all the year round.

As the accommodation is, for the present,
limited, intending Subscribers should com-
municate at once with

THE MANAGER,
CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE AND
ELECTRIC CO., LTD.,
2, Ice House Road,
Hongkong, March 30, 1895.

THE POPULAR
SCOTCH

IS

BLACK & WHITE



James Buchanan & Co.
SCOTCH WHISKY DISTILLERS
By Appointment to

M. THE KING
and
THE PRINCE OF WALES

Supplied at all the leading Cafes and
Houses, and to be obtained from LANE
CRAWFORD & CO., Queen's Road
Dundee.

Business Notices.

W. S. BAILEY & CO.
ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS.

WORKS:
KOWLOON BAY.
Hongkong, March 1, 1895.

OFFICES & STORES:
No. 20, CONNAUGHT ROAD.
Hongkong, March 1, 1895.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO
AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND
MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

Hongkong-Canton Line.

8.5. HONAM, 2,363 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.
8.5. POWAN, 2,338 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.
8.5. PATSHAN, 2,260 tons, Captain W. A. Valentine.
8.5. HANKOW, 3,073 tons, Captain C. V. Lloyd.
8.5. KINSHAN, 1,895 tons, Captain J. J. Lessus.

Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8.30 a.m. (Sunday excepted), 6 p.m.
and 10.30 p.m. (Saturday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the
River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

Hongkong-Macao Line.

8.5. HEUNGSHAN, 1,998 tons, Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days about 2 p.m. (See Special Sup-
plier Third Table).
Departures on Sundays at Noon.
Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 a.m.

Canton-Macao Line.

8.5. LUNGSHAN, 219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.
8.5. SANAM, 569 tons, Captain C. Butchart.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Macao every Monday, Wednesday
and Friday at 8.30 a.m., and the other leaves Macao for Canton on the same days
at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about five days. These vessels have Superior Cabin
Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the
HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
12 Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel,
Or of BUTTERFIELD AND SWINE,

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

PELHAM HOUSE.

PRIVATE HOTEL, CENTRALLY SITUATED.
THREE MINUTES' WALK FROM POST OFFICE.
SPECIAL TERMS FOR MONTHLY BOARDERS.
RATES: MODERATE.

29, WYNDHAM STREET.
Hongkong, September 8, 1894.

DON'T WORRY.

If You Want Solid Comfort,
Both Up The Peak and Down,
There's but One Way to get It,
In This Man's Beacon Town.

13, SHAUKIWAN ROAD. Tram Passes the Door.

Hongkong, March 8, 1905.

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TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE
CO. OF HAMBURG.

WE beg to give notice that we have
RESIGNED the AGENCY of the
above-named COMPANY from this day.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, Canton, March 31, 1905.

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THE KOWLOON DAIRY,
KOWLOON.

CONDUCTED on European principles.

COWS imported from America and

Australia.

Special Cow kept to supply Infants.

DELIVERS MILK TWICE DAILY.

New Laid Eggs.....30 Cents per Dozen.

Can be had at 89, WELLINGTON STREET.

Milk...10 Cents per Small Bottle.

Milk...20 Cents per Large.

Orders received at 243, Des Voeux Road,

89, Wellington St., and Kowloon Dairy.

Kowloon. A. AHWEE, Proprietor.

Hongkong, March 31, 1905.

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The King

among scientifically con-
densed foods is Bovril.

In the smallest possible
bulk Bovril has every
virtue a true food should
possess—it is nourishing
and strengthening—it is
a stimulant and a warmth-
giver; and, besides being
very appetising, is thor-
oughly digestible. Bovril
is a great help to the cook,
too.

A large consignment of records at the
low figure of 91.80 each, 5% on wholesale
orders.

The largest and most varied Stock of
Music in China. Inspection solicited. Our
workmen are experienced men.

WE DEFY COMPETITION.

INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, March 3, 1905.

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FIVE POINTS

ABOUT

'SINGER' SEWING MACHINES.

PRICES CHEAPER THAN AT HOME.

FIVE YEARS' GUARANTEE.

FREE INSTRUCTION.

FREE REPAIRS AND CLEANING.

Hongkong, March 23, 1905.

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S. MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.,

PIANO AND ORGAN
MANUFACTURERS,

14, QUEEN'S ROAD, FIRST FLOOR.

HAVE just received a shipment of
Second-hand Pianos from \$200 up-
wards, and a written guarantee for a test
period of TWO Years given for each in-
strument.

A large consignment of records at the
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CLARK'S STUDIO,

4, ICE HOUSE STREET.

PORTRAITURE IN ALL STYLES.

AMATEUR WORK A SPECIALITY.

Hongkong, October 5, 1904.

1812

WHITE WINES.

Graves...Per Case Quartis \$9.00

Château Superieur...11.00

Sauternes Superieur...9.00

Château Le Loup De L'Isle...18.00

Chablis...18.00

Mouton...25.00

Montrachet...32.50

N.B.—All our Wines and Spirits are BOTTLED AT HOME, thereby ensuring to
our Customers all the advantages accruing from bottlings done at Home under the direct
supervision of the Growers and Distillers as compared to bottlings in China by Chinese
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G. FALCONER & Co.,
WATCH-MAKERS AND JEWELLERS.
NEW SELECTIONS OF
DIAMOND JEWELLERY AND ENGLISH SILVER WARE.
HIGH-CLASS GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES.
ARGE ASSORTMENT OF SPECTACLES.
FINE-NEZ AND EYE PRESERVES.
4. FALCONER & Co. ARE AGENTS TO JOSS'S FAMOUS TELESCOPES AND
BINOCULARS, LORD KELVIN'S NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
ADMIRALTY CHARTS AND BOOKS.
EASTMAN'S KODAKS AND FILMS.
64, QUEEN'S ROAD.

M. MUMEYA,
JAPANESE ARTIST AND PHOTOGRAPHER.
ENLARGEMENTS ON BROMIDE PAPER
AND FINISHED IN CRAYON.
ALL KINDS OF WORK DONE FOR AMATEURS.
68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

JAPAN COALS.
MTSUI BUSSAN KAISHA
(MITSUI & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE: 1, SURUGA-CHO, TOKYO.
LONDON BRANCH: 24, LIME STREET, E.C.
HONGKONG BRANCH: PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET, FIRST FLOOR

OTHER BRANCHES:
New York, San Francisco, Hamburg, Bonnay, Singapore, Soraibaya, Manila, Amoy, Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, Nanchang, Port Arthur, Seoul, Chinkoo, Yokohama, Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Maizuru, Kure, Shimomosaki, Mugi, Wakamatsu, Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kuchinoerabu, Sasebo, Maizuru, Mikaze, Hakodate, Tappi, etc.

Telegraphic Address: 'MITSUI' (A.P.C. and A1 Codes.)

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Foreign Navies; the Imperial Arsenals; the Imperial Railway; Sanyo, Kiushu and the other Principal Railways; Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and Freight Steamers.

EXPORTERS OF COAL to Hongkong, Shanghai, Hankow, Singapore, Manila, North China, Korean ports and America.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of Takashima, Ochi, Shinow, Namazato and Kami-Yamada Collieries, and also Hojo Colliery, which will shortly be ready to produce on a large scale the best Buzan Coal.

SOLE Agents for Kiyon, Komatsu (Tagawa) and Yashirochimachi Coal (Karatatsu).

The Head and Branch Offices and the Agencies of the Company will receive any order for Coal produced from the above Collieries.

Coal sold in 1904 by the Company amounted to 1,520,000 tons.

S. MINAMI, Manager, Hongkong.

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Hongkong, May 31, 1904.

UNTOUCHED BY HAND.

MELLIN'S FOOD
For INFANTS and INVALIDS.

MELLIN'S FOOD is free from Starch
When prepared is similar to Breast Milk.

MELLIN'S FOOD WORKS, PECKHAM, LONDON, ENGLAND.

DINNEFORDS.

The Physician's
Cure for Gout,
Rheumatic Gout
and Gravel.

Safest and most
gentle Medicine for
Infants, Children,
Females and the
Sickness of Pregnancy.

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A PERFECT BEVERAGE.

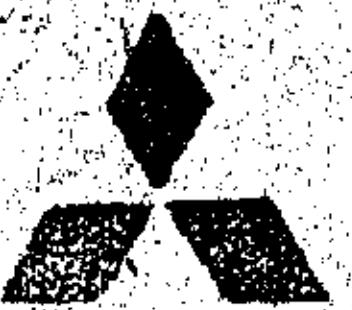
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is known and prized throughout
the whole world for its high
quality and delicious natural
flavor.

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Best & Goes Farthest.

Intimations.

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COAL DEPARTMENT.

MARUNO-UCHI, TOKIO.

CABLE ADDRESS: 'IWASAKI'
which applies to all Branch Offices and
Hongkong and Shanghai Agencies.A1. AEC 5th EDITION, WESTERN
UNION CODES USED.ALL LETTERS ADDRESSED
MANAGER, MITSU BISHI CO., WITH
NAME OF PLACE UNDER.BRANCH OFFICES.
NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE, KARATSU
AND HANKOW.

AGENCIES.

SHANGHAI: H. J. H. TRIPP.
HONGKONG: H. D. JEFFRIES.
YOKOHAMA: M. ARADA.
CHINKIANG: GEARING & CO.
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TAKASHIMA COAL.

Now and additional shafts at the Takashima Colliery have been completed and this well-known best and most economical steam Coal in the East is now produced in abundance and can be supplied in any quantity.

Hongkong, March 11, 1905. 777

JOHN S. ALLEN,

EXPORT MERCHANT.

117, PITT STREET,

SYDNEY, N.S.W.

SOLE Export Agent for China, Japan
and Philippine Islands for The New
South Wales Concentrated Milk Company.

CORRESPONDENCE INVITED.

Hongkong, February 20, 1905. 359

QUONG HING LUNG,

FIRST-CLASS Tailor and Outfitter.

30 YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN U.S.A.

UP-TO-DATE CUTTER.

PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.

FANCY GOODS DEALER

PRICES VERY LOW.

No. 96, Queen's Road Central,

Hongkong.

Hongkong, September 14, 1904. 1685

WING F. A. T.,

IMPORTER and EXPORTER

AND

SILK MERCHANT.

JEWELLERY DEALER AND GOLD

AND SILVERSMITH.

HAS always on hand a Specialty Selected Assortment of every kind and pattern of Chinese Manufactured SILKS, IVORY WARES, and best CURIOS of China. Grass Cloth and Chinese Embroideries.

Also

Best kind of Manila Cigars.

Inspection is cordially solicited.

Prices very low.

No. 66, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,

Next Door to Chinese Club,

Hongkong, November 1, 1904. 1885

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA are

prepared during suspension of their

Trans-Pacific Service and until further

notice, to Book Cargo and issue Bills of

Lading to SEATTLE, WASH., VICTORIA, B.C., and PACIFIC COAST

PORTS, also to OVERLAND POINTS

in the UNITED STATES and CANADA

in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY from SEATTLE as

hitherto, by the Steamers of the NORTH

EASTERN PACIFIC S.S. CO., BOSTON

STEAMSHIP and TOWBOAT COYS.

OCEAN S.S. COY. and CHINA MUTUAL

S.N. COY.

For further Particulars, apply at the

Company's Local Branch Office, Prince's

Buildings, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA

Manager.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Hongkong, May 20, 1904. 681

Intimations.

SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,
HONGKONG.

TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BYE-LAWS (as amended), every Domestic Building or part of such building within the Central Division of the City of Victoria and the Western Division of Kau-lung occupied by members of more than one family must be CLEANED AND LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the Owner during the months of March and April.

N.B.—The word 'throughout' used in this notice means that the houses should be Limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room and Staircase—all cubical partitions—Stair Casings and Stair Landing, all Ceilings and the Underparts of Floors, both in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and Inclusiva of Vendadas.

The Backyard should have its containing Walls Limewashed up to the level of the First Floor.

Carved, Painted or Polished Woodwork in good condition, however, need not be Limewashed but must be Cleaned.

The Central Division of the City lies between Gilman Street and Peel Street on the East and Tank Lane and Cleverley Street on the West. Kau-lung is divided into the Eastern and the Western Divisions by Robinson Road and a Straight-line drawn from the north end thereof through the Yau-nati service reservoir to the northern boundary of Kau-lung.

G. N. ORME,
Secretary.

Dated this 31st day of March, 1905. 713

V.R.O. ATHLETIC SPORTS.

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS.

THE PRELIMINARY HEATS in connection with the following Races, to be decided by the Victoria Recreation Club's Sports, will be RUN OFF on FRIDAY, the 5th inst., at 6.30 p.m.—

100 YARDS FLAT RACE.
120 YARDS HURDLE RACE.
220 YARDS FLAT RACE.FRANK LAMMERT,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 4, 1905. 711

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. GEORGE'S BUILDING, NO. 6, CONNAUGHT ROAD, VICTORIA, on SATURDAY, 8th April, 1905, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1904, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 5th April, to SATURDAY, the 8th April, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOME & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 25, 1905. 642

THE HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS holding SPOON ORDERS

are requested to present them at MESSRS. HING'S on or before 15th April next as the Association is winding up.

—MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 1, 1905. 701

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, St. GEORGE'S BUILDING, on SATURDAY, the 10th of April, 1905, at 12 o'clock NOON, to receive a Statement of Account to the 31st December, 1904, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 1st to 10th April, both days inclusive.

J. WHEELER,
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 27, 1905. 658

WILLIAM POWELL, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A N INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account of the year 1904-5, at the Rate of FIFTY CENTS per Share, will be Payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, on and after the 10th April.

The REGISTER of SHARES and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 5th April, until MONDAY, the 12th April, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. A. MAUNFORD WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 31, 1905. 678

ROYAL TOBACCO FACTORY.

P. BEACONSFIELD ARCADE.

WE HAVE always a FRESH SUPPLY of

H. TURKISH TOBACCO. Our EGYPTIAN CIGARETTES are Fresh, as we make them every day. We can recommend them as First-class Smokes. We receive our Tobacco Fresh from Egypt by every mail. A Trial Order will satisfy the most sceptical. We defy competition.

T. E. P. SPYROPULOS, Proprietor.

Hongkong, February 15, 1905. 323

ADVERTISEMENTS.

MEXICO TO-DAY.

Mr. F. D. Barreto, Vice-Consul for Mexico, sends us a small book entitled "Mexico yesterday and today," which has been published in several languages at the request of the Mexican Government. It has been published with the object of showing the flourishing condition of Mexico compared with what it was in 1876. The book says: "The Mexico of yesterday has transformed itself like the mythological Phoenix, growing again from its own ashes, and springing to-day in all its strength side by side with the other nations of the old and new worlds, full of fame and decided to contend as a worthy athlete for the glorious conquests undertaken by the civilized nations in order to attain the summit of their greatness. A new era, worthy of study, is offered to the sociologists, the great thinkers, the politicians and the statesmen. What has become of the unanswerable and revolutionist country of yesterday? Upon the same lands followed by the horses' feet, who like a sweeping whirlwind carried away the newly sown fields, spreading death and desolation upon their passage, green fields of growing harvests extend themselves like an emerald carpet, their color representing the hope of a rising nation. The farmer sows in these same furrows that were opened by the heavy wheels of the cannons vomiting death and mowing down human beings, the seed that will grow into a luxuriant harvest, the deserted homes in which the widow was mourning the absence of a beloved husband torn from her arms and the loss of a cherished son taken from her bosom by the revolutionary waves, shines a rising sun of great splendour in a cloudless heaven, and in its rays is felt the warmth that brings joy to the heart, songs and laughter are heard, showing that the hearts are gay and satisfied. There are no more fears, no more dreads, no mourning in the breasts of those people, the husband is there, the son has returned, the soil cultivated, the cattle grazing securely and peacefully, the granary is filled, and peace and tranquillity reign in the hamlet of the poor workman as well as in the mansion of the rich."

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

SAILING YACHT LA CIGALE.

For particulars apply

E. M. HAZELAND,

35, Queen's Road Central,

Hongkong, April 3, 1905. 704

TO BE SOLD.

PUBLIC HOUSE, full Licence, good

position, long Lease, Cheap Rental

Apply P. H.

Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office,

Hongkong, March 4, 1905. 664

AUCTIONS.

POSTPONED.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction:

on

T H U R S D A Y,

the 6th April, 1905, commencing at

2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms,

DUDDELL STREET, —

A COLLECTION OF

J A P A N E S E O U R I O S,

Comprising: —

FINE BRONZE VASES AND INCENSE BURNERS, &c.

SILVER CLOISONNE VASES AND BOWLS, &c.

SATSUMA VASES, JARS, BOWLS AND INCENSE BURNERS, &c.

OLD CUT VELVET HANGINGS,

SILK ENHANCED SCREENS, &c., &c.,

,

A Selection of

F I N E W A T E R C O L O R S,

, — As Customary.

On View from Friday, the 31st March,

1905.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 30, 1905. 656

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curios, &c., at Mr. G. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, April 7.—9 a.m.—Performance by Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club in City Hall.

SATURDAY, April 8.—9 a.m.—Meeting of National Bank of China, Ltd., at the Bank Premises.

11 a.m.—Meeting of The Hongkong Rose Manufacturing Co., Ltd., at Co's Office.

MONDAY, April 10.—Goods per *Arrivede* unclaimed after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

TUESDAY, April 11.—4.30 p.m.—Meeting of The Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., at Head Office.

Goods per *Beaufort* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Attention of Advertisers is drawn to the Latest Hours for receiving Advertisements and Corrections to Advertising.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on Pages 2, 3, 6 and 7, should be sent to this Office not later than 11 a.m. New Advertisements should be sent in before 3 p.m.

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DEATH.

On April 4, at the Government Civil Hospital, HAROLD F. PRICE, aged 30 years.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All business communications for this office should be addressed to THE MANAGER.

Communications intended for publication should be addressed to THE EDITOR, and not to any person by name.

We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

Any communication not accompanied by the signature of the writer will be rejected without consideration.

All communications must be legibly written upon one side of the paper.

Telephone, No. 23.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Lieut.-General Tsubihi has left hospital, completely recovered.

General Liniovitch estimates his reinforced army at 250,000 men.

Telephonic communication has been established between Taku and Sasebo and Nagasaki.

The steamer "Sanku Maru," reported sunk by ice at Nushchwing, was a launch of 99 tons.

Mr Orme has been appointed secretary to the Sanitary Board during the absence of Mr Woodcock.

One British and one Spanish salvage steamers are expected at Port Arthur to assist in raising the Russian men-of-war.

A Journalist's Death.

Mr Harold F. Piper, who for some time past has been in the employ of the *Hongkong Telegraph*, died at the Government Civil Hospital last night, after an operation for abscess on the liver. Mr Piper was a native of England and commenced his journalistic career in the Midland.He first came to the Far East about 8 years ago and went to Shanghai as Sub-Editor of the *North China Daily News*.

During the Boxer trouble Mr Piper acted as

correspondent for an American newspaper,

and finally left Shanghai for the Straits.

In succession he filled positions on the *Straits Echo* and the *Bangkok Observer*,

arriving in Hongkong during the autumn of last year.

He then began to write for the *Telegraph* and continued in harness,

despite his ill-health, until a few days ago, when he was removed to the hospital.

He was 30 years of age when he died. The funeral is to take place to-morrow morning.

The military authorities have chartered forty steamers of over 1,000 tons each to bring to Japan the Russian prisoners and Japanese invalids from Mukden and Tientsin.

According to Mr McCullagh, the correspondent captured by the Japanese, the total Russian strength at the Battle of Mukden was 389,000.

He indicates that Kuropatkin made serious mistakes during

the battle.

The volcanic island, three miles round, which rose out of the sea some 210 miles from the Bonins on the 14th of November last, has been named Nishima, and declared to be Japanese territory. Its highest point is 480 feet above the level of the sea, and it has a boiling lake, 840 yards round, on its north side.

The Fire Brigade received two calls shortly after two o'clock this morning.

The first was to a family house at No. 51 Queen's Road, where there was a small outbreak in the kitchen. This was speedily extinguished and as the Brigade was leaving for home the second alarm was sounded but in this case it was found impossible to locate the outbreak so that it could not have been a very serious one.

Boxing.

The Sydney *Advertiser* says: "Melbourne boxer of years ago, Jack McAuliffe, after playing the whole of the 'East' (including India, Japan and China) out in conjunction with one-time middle champion of this Continent—Jack Slavin—now runs a boxing hall at Hongkong, and is doing well, but his crowds include very few long-tails.

McAuliffe did not even fight here. He gave a sparring exhibition at Harmston's Circus, however. Slavin, if he accompanied McAuliffe, kept very quiet.

An Insanitary Market.

The Sanitary Board at yesterday's meeting decided to recommend that the Sham Shui Po Market should be put in a sanitary condition at the expense of the Government.

The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon reported that the market was in a bad condition.

The whole surface required to be

levelled, concurred, and side channels made.

It was stated that the rent of stalls went

towards the upkeep of a temple close by

and the controlling authorities would not

do anything unless they were guaranteed a certain term of occupation.

A New Territory Robbery.

A charge of armed robbery preferred

against a Chinaman named Chan Kong

Fuk was heard by Mr J. H. Kemp, at the Magistracy, this afternoon. The robbery

occurred at the village of Kwai Li, in the

New Territory, on March 22 when a number

of men, including the defendant, entered a

house there and carried off clothing, money

and jewellery to the value of upwards of \$500.

The robbers entered the place by

making a hole in the roof and on getting

inside tied up the master of the house and

subsequently also secured and gagged the

rest of the family. One of the robbers

seized a chopper and threatened to chop up

the master if he did not tell where his

money was. They then broke open several

boxes in the sleeping apartments and

carried off their contents. After the robbers

had departed one of the children

succeeded in freeing herself and then un-

locked the rest of the family. The case was

proceeding when our report closed.

A Charge That Failed.

The case in which Gunner Gilchrist,

of the R. G. A., was charged with stealing

a gold ring valued at \$1, the property of

Mrs Bardsley, was concluded at the Magistracy, this morning. Further evidence

was called but failed to establish the fact

that the defendant was actually the man

who pawned the ring, as alleged by the

pawnbroker, although the latter again swore

positively to his identification. Mr Gilchrist

and said that the evidence against the

defendant was not sufficient to enable

the court to convict. The case of proof was on the

SUPREME COURT.
IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Lordship Sir Henry Berkeley, Chief Justice.)

Wednesday, April 5.

AN INTERESTING APPLICATION.

An application to amend the statement of claim in the action, National Bank of China, Limited, v. P. L. Lomme and Company, by adding a claim against the defendants as acceptors of a Bill of Exchange, was made in Chambers recently, which was adjourned into Court and called for hearing to-day.

There was no attendance of counsel on behalf of the plaintiffs, but Mr. N. Ferrers (instructed by M. F. P. Hett) appeared on behalf of the defendants.

Mr. Ferrers submitted that the amendment should not be allowed on the ground that there had been undue delay and further, that should the amendment be granted it would place the defendants in such a position that no order that could be made by the Chief Justice would compensate them. The statement of claim for \$10,000 was a particular note; the defense was (1) non-consideration and (2) the non-note was not invalid owing to non-compliance with the Stamp Ordinance, inasmuch that the note was altered after issue without restamping. The note was altered by the defendants at the plaintiff's request. The defendant's defense that there was no consideration on the plaintiff's part that the consideration was that they (the plaintiffs) refrained from suing for a previous loss. Now, the plaintiffs wished to add an alternative claim against the defendants as acceptors of a Bill of Exchange referred to in the plaintiff's reply. He contended that at this stage, the pleadings having been closed and evidence taken, the plaintiffs were not entitled to an amendment.

If the original Bill of Exchange had been proceeded on in October last they could have paid the Bill and had no recourse to suing the drawers, E. Piry and Co. The drawers were now, however, bankrupt, and the assets which were in existence then were now gone.

At this stage Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., appeared in Court for the plaintiffs. After argument the application was granted, with costs for the defendants.

MANEUVERED.

Explanation of the Forecast of
North Sea Verdict.

The following letter was addressed to the London *Chronicle* and published on Feb. 28, by Reuters Agency :

Considerable comment has been aroused by the forecast, which we published in a telegram from Paris on the 22nd inst., of the report of the North Sea Commission. From the form in which the statement was couched and the authority of the source there was no reason to suppose at the time that it was otherwise than an authentic summary of the report. We regret that the publication of the full text of the report that by the communication in question we have been made the victims of a manoeuvre designed to mislead the public both here and abroad.

On Wednesday last, Reuter's Agency sent out a telegram from Paris, which stated with every appearance of authority, that the North Sea Commission of Inquiry had exonerated Admiral Rozhestvensky from all blame for the action of his fleet in firing on British fishermen. Here are the exact words :

The Commission does not discuss the question of the presence or absence of Japanese torpedo-boats; their report simply declares that Admiral Rozhestvensky might legitimately have believed that his squadron was in danger, and that he was entitled, in view of the circumstances, to act as he did.

The Commission takes note of the undertaking of the Russian Government to indemnify the victims of the deplorable affair. Naturally enough, a categorical statement, issued on the authority of an Agency with such a reputation as Reuter's, was accepted in good faith as representing the actual findings of the Commission. As such, it was hailed with anything, but satisfaction by all sections of the British Press.

But on Sunday the actual findings of the Commission, as read at Paris on Sunday afternoon, came to hand, and they placed a very different complexion on the affair.

We can readily believe that Reuter's Agency were the victims of a manoeuvre designed to mislead the public both here and abroad. Who executed the manoeuvre? Who would benefit by such a manoeuvre? The answer is plainly those interested parties who the verdict of the Commission would unfavourably affect. The verdict of the Commissioners must also have been known to those parties, for otherwise the manoeuvre would be hopelessly meaningless.

At the present juncture the parties guilty of the manoeuvre cannot be further indicated, but some light is shed upon their machinations by the following:

In the interval between Wednesday night and the time for the actual reading of the report, rumours gained currency that the anticipatory story was only half told in order to "draw" the British Press. It was said that it had been well known, representing as it did a diplomatic victory for Russia, with the exception of the British Ambassador, who would then be quoted in Russia as evidence that its diplomacy had triumphed, and that the officers of its Baltic Fleet had been acquitted of all blame. In this way, it was hoped that public opinion in Russia might be mollified, and be in a more suitable frame of mind to receive as much of the practical censure of Admiral Rozhestvensky contained in the report as the Censor might think fit to give it.

Our Paris Correspondent, telegraphing last night said :—

On calling this evening at the offices of the Havas Agency, through which official news is usually communicated to Reuter's, I was informed that they knew nothing of the telegram in question. It is, however, a positive fact that the news was not communicated to the French papers, but was re-telographed back to Paris in the form of extracts from the London journals. This alleged forecast of the findings of the commission excited considerable comment in Paris, and the report was evidently propagated that its publication was a diplomatic manoeuvre on the part of Great Britain so as to influence public opinion that the Commissioners would be led to modify their finding.

It is significant that the one paper which is looked upon as the mouthpiece of the Russian Embassy simultaneously published an article on the same lines as Reuter's forecast.

SIR HIRAM WILKINSON.

About to Leave Shanghai.

On March 31 Sir Hiram Shaw Wilkinson sat in Shanghai for the last time as Chief Justice of His Majesty's Supreme Court for China and Korea. With hardly an exception the members of the Bar at Shanghai attended to take formal leave of His Lordship, and there were also present in Court several ladies and others of the general public. Sir Hiram was accompanied on the Bench by the Acting Assistant Judge (Mr. J. C. E. Douglas), and the whole staff of the Court was in attendance.

According to Mr. Platt, acting Crown Advocate, Sir Hiram began life in the East in 1804, when entered the Consular service in Japan. After leaving the consulat Sir Hiram joined the Bar at Shanghai, in course of time becoming Crown Advocate. Later on he was appointed Judge of H.B.M.'s Court for Japan, from which position he was promoted Chief Justice at Shanghai.

During the course of a farewell speech, Mr. Platt said: "Your predecessors in office were men who had so ably carried out the duties entrusted to them that the Court had come to be universally regarded by Chinese and foreigners alike as a tribunal where Law and Justice was administered impartially, and where a litigant knew that the merits of his case would be thoroughly gone into and justice administered in such way as to render it impugnable. And the only have you carried out your duties in the Court in the most honourable, conscientious, and upright manner, but you have been constantly called upon to arbitrate upon differences that have arisen between other nationalities than British; it is not only British subjects who have recognized your ability, your impartiality, and the conscientious way in which you have always done your work, but other nationalities have recognized this also. Your sovereign has also graciously recognised your merit by having conferred on you the honour of knighthood. My Lord, you leave us with a record which any Englishman would be proud of. We did you farewell with regret, a feeling which, I am sure, is shared by all members of this community both Chinese and foreign who have experienced many acts of kindness from you. We look forward to the time when we shall meet again in your Homeland and we trust we shall find you still serving your country in some capacity as able and honourably as you have served it in the East."

Mr. W. V. Drummond, deacon of the Shanghai Bar, also spoke.

Sir Hiram, who duly expressed his thanks, and regretted to part from them, hoping, however, to meet them all at home.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

The following is the fifth report of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Limited, presented to the shareholders at the half-yearly general Meeting, held at the Head Office, Yokohama, on Friday, 10th March.

Gentlemen:—The directors submit to you the annexed statement of the liabilities and Assets of the Bank, and profit and loss account for the half-year, ending December 31st, 1904.

The Gross Profits of the Bank for the half-year, including Yen 527,000, were brought forward from last Accounts, amount to Yen 7,916,988, of which Yen 6,000,000, have been deducted for Current Expenses, Interests, &c., leaving a balance of Yen 1,999,922.

The Directors now propose that Yen 200,000 be added to the Reserve Fund, raising it to Yen 9,720,000 and that Yen 100,000 be placed to the silver funds. From the remainder the Directors recommend a Dividend at the rate of Twelve per cent, per Annum, which will absorb Yen 720,000 in old shares and Yen 369,000 on new shares, making a total of Yen 1,089,000.

The Bank now, Yen 529,922, will be carried forward to the credit of next Account.

THE YANG-TSZE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the fifteenth ordinary general meeting of shareholders, to be held at the offices of the Association, No. 26, The Bund, Shanghai, on Tuesday, April 11.

The Board of Directors have now the pleasure to submit to the shareholders the annual report and audited statement of accounts and balance sheet to the 31st December, 1904.

Working Account 1903 and Former Years.—This account shows a credit balance of \$238,169.62 against \$155,428.17 on 31st December, 1903. The Directors recommend the payment of a dividend to shareholders of 2½% out of this account and the transfer of \$50,000 to the credit of Reserve Fund and \$5,000 for the formation of a Reinsurance Fund. The Account will then stand as follows:—

Dividend of 2½% (\$12 per Share) \$6,000.00; to Reserve Fund \$26,000.00; to Reinsurance Fund \$50,000.00. Balance carried forward \$42,190.62. Total \$238,190.62.

Working Account 1904.—The net Premiums earned during 1904, after deducting return premiums, re-insurance premiums, &c., amounted to \$11,110,534.86 against \$859,819.47 during 1903 and the Account shows a balance at Credit of \$623,314.95.

Information has been received from the vicinity of Shanghai, with whom the Directors recommend the payment of a special dividend to shareholders of 5%—\$3 per Share, which will absorb \$24,000 to be paid out of interest earned during 1904, and to carry forward the balance, which will then amount to \$559,304.95.

The Dividends will be paid in Tael at Each: 75. \$15 per share at Fx. 73—Tls. 10.95 per share.

Reserve Fund.—After crediting this fund with \$50,000 as recommended above, the Reserve Fund will amount to \$759,000.

Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account.—Owing to the high rate of sterling Exchange and the depreciation in value of the Association's Sterling.

Eastern Investments, the 27th December last has been necessary to debit this Account with \$21,903.51, leaving a balance of \$5,396.48 at Credit of same.

Sterling Exchange has been taken at 2½% per Tael (the demand rate on 31st December, 1904), and the relative value between Dollars and Tael at 73.

Investments.—The value on 31st December last has been taken for all the Association's investments.

Directors.—Mr. D. W. Giltnour and Mr. C. W. Wrightson, having resigned their seats on the Board, owing to their departure from Shanghai, Mr. E. B. Skottowe was invited to rejoin the Board in the place of Mr. Giltnour, and Mr. Robert I. Fearon was invited to fill Mr. Wrightson's vacant seat on the Board. Mr. Skottowe and Mr. Fearon offer themselves for election at the Meeting of Shareholders, and, in accordance with the Articles of Association, the other Directors all retire from Office, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditor.—Mr. H. Trevor-Guerrier having resigned the Association's Auditorship, owing to his departure from Shanghai, the Board of Directors appointed Mr. G. H. Thomson, Chartered Accountant, to audit the accounts now presented. Mr. G. H. Thomson offers himself for election at the Meeting of Shareholders.

COLDS are quickly cured by Chamberlain's Cold Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs and opens the secretion, effecting a permanent cure. It cures any tendency of the cold to result in pneumonia.

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HIGHER THINKING.

[Men are to Mano that there is ed much title-tattle among the female sex, for they never give women the opportunities for higher thinking.—Mr. D. J. Shackleton, M.P., at Halifax.]

Oh men with sisters dear
(The sisters of others) and wives
To choose from the women who daily make
The sunshine of your lives!

Oh, what is this you have done?
Ye have fastened around their necks
A badge of their servitude and shame
For the whole of the female sex.

Talk—talk talk
Of the servant that's a seldom right,
Or talk—talk talk
Of the woman who didn't—but might!

Queen and battle and tea,
The tea and battle and dress.

And all the faults of the masterful man
Who feeds them on littleness!

Oh Man as Collective Noun,
Oh Man with a capital M,
Let the sex bring your thoughts from
angels down

To reflect for one moment on THEM!

And provide them a nobler thought
That shall thrill their existence through,
The good to the world that may be wrought
If they will but think of YOU!

A. W. B. in the *Daily Chronicle*.

RUSSIA AND GERMAN
STEAMERS.

A Hamburg telegraph says that a number of Hamburg-American line steamers have been sold. Russia is reported to be the nominal purchaser, but in reality the operation has been so carried out that the Russian Government only accept the risk of capture. The crews will be German. A representative of the Hamburg American line admitted that negotiations were in progress, but declared that the sale was not yet complete. The vessels affected are the "Valegia," "I. G. Gruen," "Palatia," "Annyra," "Belgravia," "Canada," "Castilla," "Granada," "Hornich," and "Natalia." They are to leave Hamburg almost direct, and it is said that the Russian Government have purchased the two largest, which will be fitted up as auxiliary cruisers. The Russian Government, it appears, have agreed to charter the vessels so long as no accident befalls them, but if one of them should be taken, destroyed, or injured by the Japanese, the full value of the vessel will be paid to the Hamburg-American Company. The German crews are to get extraordinarily high wages, £75 per month being offered for a captain and £25 per month for a second officer. The Russian Government is insuring the lives of all the officers and crews against accident, as the Japanese have intimated that they will treat all ships accompanying the Russian fleet as if they were belligerents.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

At Geneva twenty-five lighters with cargo from the s.s. "Venezuela" were destroyed by fire.

On March 18 the British steamer "Harbinger," 3,265 tons, on her way to Vladivostok with a cargo of Welsh coal, was seized by a Japanese warship.

H.M.S. battleship "Barbican" sailed from Gibraltar on March 1 for Colombo with a relief crew for H.M.S. battleship "Vengeance," China Fleet.

During a fire at New Orleans 25,000 bales of cotton were burnt, together with large quantities of grain, sugar, and other produce for export, and the Leyland liner "Indian" is reported to be slightly damaged.

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From the remainder the Directors recommend a Dividend at the rate of Twelve per cent, per Annum, which will absorb Yen 720,000 in old shares and Yen 369,000 on new shares, making a total of Yen 1,089,000.

The Bank now, Yen 529,922, will be carried forward to the credit of next Account.

A seaman named Abdulla Hosen, from "King Robert," was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment, at the Magistracy, this morning, for refusing duty. His reason for refusal was that he was refused shore leave.

The steamers "Philadelphia," 6,120 tons gross register, owned by the Atlantic Combine, and uninsured, and the "Dalton-hall," 3,638 tons gross register, said to be insured for £29,000, are reported from Boston to have been injured in the Charlestown Docks fire.

The Board of Directors have now the pleasure to submit to the shareholders the annual report and audited statement of accounts and balance sheet to the 31st December, 1904.

Working Account 1903 and Former Years.—This account shows a credit balance of \$238,169.62 against \$155,428.17 on 31st December, 1903. The Directors recommend the payment of a dividend to shareholders of 2½% out of this account and the transfer of \$50,000 to the credit of Reserve Fund and \$5,000 for the formation of a Reinsurance Fund. The Account will then stand as follows:—

Dividend of 2½% (\$12 per Share) \$6,000.00; to Reserve Fund \$26,000.00; to Reinsurance Fund \$50,000.00. Balance carried forward \$42,190.62. Total \$238,190.62.

Working Account 1904.—The net Premiums earned during 1904, after deducting return premiums, re-insurance premiums, &c., amounted to \$11,110,534.86 against \$859,819.47 during 1903 and the Account shows a balance at Credit of \$623,314.95.

Information has been received from the vicinity of Shanghai, with whom the Directors recommend the payment of a special dividend to shareholders of 5%—\$3 per Share, which will absorb \$24,000 to be paid out of interest earned during 1904, and to carry forward the balance, which will then amount to \$559,304.95.

The Dividends will be paid in Tael at Each: 75. \$15 per share at Fx. 73—Tls. 10.95 per share.

Reserve Fund.—After crediting this fund with \$50,000 as recommended above, the Reserve Fund will amount to \$759,000.

Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account.—Owing to the high rate of sterling Exchange and the depreciation in value of the Association's Sterling.

Eastern Investments, the 27th December last has been necessary to debit this Account with \$21,903.51, leaving a balance of \$5,396.48 at Credit of same.

Sterling Exchange has been taken at 2½% per Tael (the demand rate on 31st December, 1904), and the relative value between Dollars and Tael at 73.

Investments.—The value on 31st December last has been taken for all the Association's investments.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE named—
STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.
SHANGHAI.....(Coromandel.....) About 7th Freight and Passage.
London, &c. (G. M. MONTFORD, B.N.R.) April
London, &c. (M. N. TILDE) April
London & ANTWERP, via MUNICH, ST. PANC, C. H. LEWELLIN, April
SAID AND MARSEILLE.....(M. N. TILDE) April
YAHAMA, via SHAI, MOJI (Passing through C.R. LONGON, B.N.R.) April
AND KOBE (Passing through the ISLAND SEA) (Passing through C.R. LONGON, B.N.R.) April
Freight only.

For further Particulars, apply to L. S. LEWIS, Acting Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, April 4, 1905.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.

MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA, AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	LARIBES	8th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	HINGWU	15th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TELMACHUS	22nd April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DIONEAS	29th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	CALCHAS	20th May.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DECALON	30th May.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHIAS	11th April.
GENOA, MARSSELLA & LIVERPOOL	ALGONQUIN	20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KABOW	25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	JASON	9th May.
GENOA, MARSSELLA & LIVERPOOL	LAKTES	20th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMED	23rd May.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via TELEMACTICE		20th April.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Agents.

Hongkong, April 4, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

MANILA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY	CHINGTIC	8th April.
CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE		
AMOY, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KAIFONG	10th April.

MANILA TANING 11th April.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these Steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Tables. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

* Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze & Northern China Ports, & Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES. Single and Return, To Manila and Australian Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE AGENTS.

Hongkong, April 4, 1905.

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships—Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons.	Captains.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2640	A. H. Noddy	Manila, via Amoy	April 8, at 10 a.m.
ZAFIRO	2640	R. Rodger	Manila Direct	April 13, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, April 5, 1905.

SOUTH AFRICAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

HONGKONG DIRECT (or via CHEFOO or CHIN-WAN-TAO) to DURBAN, NATAL.

THE following Chartered Steamers will run at Intervals of about 3 Weeks:—

S.S. SWANLEY	Captain J. P. DAWSON.
S.S. COFFIELD	J. W. MARTIN.
S.S. CRANLEY	W. E. STEELE.
S.S. IKBAL	M. ROBERTSON.
S.S. ISCOT	C. E. COX.
S.S. LOTHIAN	J. G. WILFRESON.
S.S. INKUM	B. S. PEARCE.
S.S. SIKH	J. ROWLEY.
S.S. SOFALA	G. S. SHEPPARD.
S.S. INDRASILMA	R. P. CRAVEN.
S.S. INDRABELLI	J. CULLINGTON.
S.S. SHALDA	GEO. BROWN.
S.S. O'ATHERINE PARK	COP. DEAN.
S.S. INKULA	

For Freight, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 9, 1905.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME and TRIESTE Direct, Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

Taking cargo at through rates to the BEAUX, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship TRIESTE.

Captain M. BONCOUR, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 1st of May.

This Steamer has electric light installation for passengers, Electric Light and carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage & Freight, apply to SANDER, WILHELM & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 31, 1905.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through CANTO to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamer AUSTRALIAN.

Captain M. BONCOUR, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 8th April, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer, is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamer of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 16, 1905.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL S.S. CO., TOYIO KISEN KAISHA.

U.S. MAIL LINES.

VIA HONOLULU.

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VISITORS AT HOTELS

ARRIVALS.

April 4.
Lanner, British str., 2,301, F. McNair, Karatsu March 31, Coal. — Dowdell & Co., Ltd.
Ithaka, German str., 2,200, Eichhorn, Chinkiang and Wuhan March 30, General — Siemens & Co.
Giang Bee, British steamer, 1,193, J. G. Follett, Kobe March 30, General, — CHINESE.

April 5.

Tartar, British str., 2,768, E. Beetham, R.N.R., Vancouver March 7, and Shanghai April 2, General. — O. P. R. Co.

Beaumaris, British steamer, 1,168, C. R. Moonlight, R.N.R., London via Singapore March 30, General — Guia, Livornos & Co.

Mathilda, Norwegian str., 2,230, Harold Taarvig, Karatsu March 20, Coal. — Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

Pitsenelid, German steamer, 1,207, C. Fuchs, Bangkok March 29, Rice and Tin-ber. — BERTERPELTS & SWINE.

Andrea Nickerson, German str., 1,029, H. C. Kohn, Bangkok March 29, Rice and Wood. — MELCHERS & CO.

Prithi, Norwegian str., 891, Haraldsen, Tamsui, via Amoy and Swatow April 4, General. — OKA SHIHO KAISHA.

DEPARTURES.

April 5.
Sikidori, for Nagasaki.
Guanfu, for Canton.
Wenhsin-bridge, for Shanghai.
Katherine Park, for Kuchington.
Chaterhouse, for Amoy.
Keangshai, for Shanghai.

Ghee, for Banjok.
Gregory Azcar, for Singapore and Calcutta.

CLEARED.

Des. 4, for Swatow.
Ghee, for Newchwang.
Haiyan, for Swatow.
Haiyan, for Canton.
Mathilda, for Hoochow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Tarter, for Hongkong; from Vancouver, Mr. E. Uralla; from Yokohama, Mr. J. Rosenthal; from Kobe, Mr. C. Berg; from Shanghai, Mr. F. Cornish, and 46 Steerage.

DEPARTED.

Per Capt. for Shanghai, Messrs. R. B. Watson, H. G. Stoeck, W. Newbold, and McGowen; Mr. J. F. Hines and child, Mrs. Proctor and child; for Nagasaki, Mr. D. Lorillard, Capt. and Mrs. Williams, Mr. D. J. Mitchell, Mrs. A. Mitchell; for Kobe; Messrs. S. Haywood and R. L. Davis; for Yokohama, Miss Longmuir, Miss Bentine, Mrs. Whitton and child; Mr. and Mrs. Matteson, Messrs. W. Peacheay, R. McLean, and I. Tajiada; for San Francisco and beyond, Rev. E. B. Mostyn, Messrs. M. Brunie, L. T. Blading, J. McMillan, W. F. Soule, W. H. Llewellyn, Emil Bauer, Mr. and Mrs. S. Myers, Miss Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Totman, Lieut. P. Schmekel, Messrs. L. J. Jerauld, August Belmont, Jr., F. Barker, U. A. Murdoch, C. M. Garland, F. E. Thompson, Alice Bainer, Miss Squire, Count G. Grapello, G. Tolich, Miss A. Hoff, Mr. and Mrs. M. Ludwig, Mr. and Mrs. E. Loschner, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. McNeil, Miss S. E. McNeil, Messrs. H. Nanpei, E. Nanpei, H. Kuro, B. Tercevich, Lieut. S. V. Moore, Miss Wilkinson, Capt. C. G. Murphy, Mr. L. Crane, Miss H. B. Burlington, Dr. J. Broadbent, Messrs. C. Miller, Paul, Baday, G. L. Waldron, E. A. Guron, K. B. Bax, H. L. Destefano, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bahon, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. Putman, Rev. F. E. Felt, Miss J. M. Childs, and Mrs. L. Bauder.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer *Ithaka* reports: From Chinkiang and Wuhan March 30th, fresh N.E. monsoon, with rainy weather, no fog.

The British steamer *Lanner* reports: From Karatsu March 31st, experienced strong N.E. monsoon and high seas.

The Norwegian steamer *Mathilda* reports: From Karatsu March 30th, fresh N.E. wind and rainy to Chapel Island, later part, moderate and overcast.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For MACAO.—
Per Wimberley, at 7.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For CANTON.—
Per Henkow, at 7.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG & TIENSIN.—
Per Chinkiang, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOGHOW.—
Per Hoochow, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per Hongkong, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For TAKAO.—
Per Tatars, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For SAIGON.—
Per Tatars, at 1 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For MACAO.—
Per Haiphong, at 1.15 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For KONGMING, KUMCHUK, SHIUNG & TAKHING.—
Per Saigon, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For FREDERICK WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTSHOE, MATUPLI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per Wimberley, at 1 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th April.

For MANILA.—
Per Zamboanga, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 7th April.

For MANILA.—
Per Rabi, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th April.

For BANGKOK.—
Per Kanchanaburi, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th April.

Per Karangas, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th April.

For TIMOR, PORT DARWIN, THIUDAY, DAY, ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, HOBART, LAUNCESTON, NEW ZEALAND, MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE & PERTH.—
Per Wimberley, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th April.

For AUSTRALIA, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th April.

For MANILA, PORT DARWIN, THIUDAY, DAY, ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, HOBART, LAUNCESTON, NEW ZEALAND, MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE & PERTH.—
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